

State Water Resources Control Board

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(Via email and Certified Mail)
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Mr. Terry Gee
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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS
LOCATED AT SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY, 5500 CAMPANILE DRIVE,
SAN DIEGO**

Dear Mr. Gee:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the USTs at your facility on December 1, 2017, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 23, chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	Failure to Maintain Plot Plan/Site Map – The map onsite at the time of inspection does not indicate the location of the product piping.	All	December 1, 2017	Ongoing	H&SC 25286(a); 23 CCR 2711(a)(8)
2	Failure to Maintain Tank Information (Form B) – In CERS under tank construction, fill tube shut-off valve lists “yes,” whereas it should list “no.” No shut-off valve was observed at the time of inspection.	Regular	December 1, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2711(a)
3	Failure to Maintain UST Monitoring System – The green power bulb on the Veeder-Root monitoring system was not functioning at the time of inspection.	All	December 1, 2017	Ongoing	H&SC 25291(b) 23 CCR 2630(d)

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4	Failure to Install Monitoring Equipment According to Manufacturer's Instructions – The sensor located in the fill sump was observed with a splice not enclosed in an epoxy-pack and outside of the explosion proof junction box. This was corrected at the time of inspection.	Regular	December 1, 2017	December 1, 2017	23 CCR 2638(a)
5	Failure to Install Monitoring Equipment According to Manufacturer's Instructions – The sensor located in the fill sump was observed with a splice not enclosed in an epoxy-pack and outside of the explosion proof junction box.	Diesel	December 1, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2638(a)
6	Failure to Tag Monitoring Equipment – The monitor certification tag attached to the sensor in the fill sump was not current. This was corrected at the time of inspection	Regular	December 1, 2017	December 1, 2017	23 CCR 2638(f)
7	Failure to Monitor Product Piping – The sensor located in the under dispenser containment was not able to detect a leak at the earliest opportunity because it was not in a vertical position. This was corrected at the time of inspection.	All	December 1, 2017	December 1, 2017	23 CCR 2630(d)

You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your Designated Operator make specific notations in the next monthly designated operator report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly designated operator report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance.

Lastly, in CERS under Financial Responsibility Mechanism, self-insured should list "no" and exemption should list "yes."

Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

State Water Board

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Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank(s) are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5551, or by email at amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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